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STATUS OF RATIFICATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND THE KYOTO PROTOCOL

Note by the secretariat

The information concerning the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the Kyoto Protocol is presented in two annexes:

Annex I, providing a general status of ratification of the Convention as at 7 October 1998, the dates in the column on ratification being those of receipt of the instrument of ratification or accession by the Depositary;

Annex II, listing in alphabetical order all Parties to the Convention that have signed or ratified the Kyoto Protocol as at 23 October 1998.

Annex I

1. The text of the Convention was adopted at United Nations Headquarters, New York, on 9 May 1992; it was open for signature at Rio de Janeiro from 4 to 14 June 1992, and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters, New York, from 20 June 1992 to 19 June 1993. By that date the Convention had received 166 signatures. The Convention entered into force on 21 March 1994. Those States that have not signed the Convention may accede to it at any time.

2. For those States that ratify, accept or approve the Convention or accede thereto after the date of entry into force, the Convention shall enter into force on the ninetieth day after the date of the deposit by such State of its instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.

3. This Annex I contains information concerning dates of signature and ratification received from the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as Depositary, as at 7 October 1998.

4. For the purpose of this document, all references to ratification include information on accession, acceptance and approval of the Convention.

UNITED NATIONS FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE

STATUS OF RATIFICATION

COUNTRY	SIGNATURE	RATIFICATION	ENTRY INTO FORCE	REMARKS
1. AFGHANISTAN	12/06/92			
2. ALBANIA	----	03/10/94 (Ac)	01/01/95	
3. ALGERIA	13/06/92	09/06/93 (R)	21/03/94	
4. ANDORRA	----			
5. ANGOLA	14/06/92			
6. ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA	04/06/92	02/02/93 (R)	21/03/94	
7. ARGENTINA	12/06/92	11/03/94 (R)	09/06/94	
8. ARMENIA	13/06/92	14/05/93 (R)	21/03/94	
9. AUSTRALIA	04/06/92	30/12/92 (R)	21/03/94	
10. AUSTRIA	08/06/92	28/02/94 (R)	29/05/94	
11. AZERBAIJAN	12/06/92	16/05/95 (R)	14/08/95	
12. BAHAMAS	12/06/92	29/03/94 (R)	27/06/94	
13. BAHRAIN	08/06/92	28/12/94 (R)	28/03/95	
14. BANGLADESH	09/06/92	15/04/94 (R)	14/07/94	
15. BARBADOS	12/06/92	23/03/94 (R)	21/06/94	
16. BELARUS	11/06/92			
17. BELGIUM	04/06/92	16/01/96 (R)	15/04/96	

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18. BELIZE	13/06/92	31/10/94 (R)	29/01/95	
19. BENIN	13/06/92	30/06/94 (R)	28/09/94	
20. BHUTAN	11/06/92	25/08/95 (R)	23/11/95	
21. BOLIVIA	10/06/92	03/10/94 (R)	01/01/95	
22. BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	----			
23. BOTSWANA	12/06/92	27/01/94 (R)	27/04/94	
24. BRAZIL	04/06/92	28/02/94 (R)	29/05/94	
25. BRUNEI DARUSSALAM	----			
26. BULGARIA	05/06/92	12/05/95 (R)	10/08/95	(12)
27. BURKINA FASO	12/06/92	02/09/93 (R)	21/03/94	
28. BURUNDI	11/06/92	06/01/97 (R)	07/04/97	
29. CAMBODIA	----	18/12/95 (Ac)	17/03/96	
30. CAMEROON	14/06/92	19/10/94 (R)	17/01/95	
31. CANADA	12/06/92	04/12/92 (R)	21/03/94	
32. CAPE VERDE	12/06/92	29/03/95 (R)	27/06/95	
33. CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC	13/06/92	10/03/95 (R)	08/06/95	
34. CHAD	12/06/92	07/06/94 (R)	05/09/94	
35. CHILE	13/06/92	22/12/94 (R)	22/03/95	
36. CHINA	11/06/92	05/01/93 (R)	21/03/94	

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37. COLOMBIA	13/06/92	22/03/95 (R)	20/06/95	
38. COMOROS	11/06/92	31/10/94 (R)	29/01/95	
39. CONGO	12/06/92	14/10/96 (R)	35441	
40. COOK ISLANDS	12/06/92	20/04/93 (R)	21/03/94	
41. COSTA RICA	13/06/92	26/08/94 (R)	24/11/94	
42. COTE D'IVOIRE	10/06/92	29/11/94 (R)	27/02/95	
43. CROATIA	11/06/92	08/04/96 (At)	07/07/96	(15)
44. CUBA	13/06/92	05/01/94 (R)	05/04/94	(9)
45. CYPRUS	12/06/92	15/10/97 (R)	13/01/98	
46. CZECH REPUBLIC	18/06/93	07/10/93 (Ap)	21/03/94	(13)
47. DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REP. OF KOREA	11/06/92	05/12/94 (Ap)	05/03/95	
48. DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO	11/06/92	09/01/95 (R)	09/04/95	
49. DENMARK	09/06/92	21/12/93 (R)	21/03/94	
50. DJIBOUTI	12/06/92	27/08/95 (R)	25/11/95	
51. DOMINICA	----	21/06/93 (Ac)	21/03/94	
52. DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	12/06/92	07/10/98 (R)	05/01/99	
53. ECUADOR	09/06/92	23/02/93 (R)	21/03/94	
54. EGYPT	09/06/92	05/12/94 (R)	05/03/95	
55. EL SALVADOR	13/06/92	04/12/95 (R)	03/03/96	
56. EQUATORIAL GUINEA	-----			

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COUNTRY	SIGNATURE	RATIFICATION	ENTRY INTO FORCE	REMARKS
57. ERITREA	----	24/04/95 (Ac)	23/07/95	
58. ESTONIA	12/06/92	27/07/94 (R)	25/10/94	
59. ETHIOPIA	10/06/92	05/04/94 (R)	04/07/94	
60. FIJI	09/10/92	25/02/93 (R)	21/03/94	(5)
61. FINLAND	04/06/92	03/05/94 (A)	01/08/94	
62. FRANCE	13/06/92	25/03/94 (R)	23/06/94	
63. GABON	12/06/92	21/01/98 (R)	21/04/98	
64. GAMBIA	12/06/92	10/06/94 (R)	08/09/94	
65. GEORGIA	----	29/07/94 (Ac)	27/10/94	
66. GERMANY	12/06/92	09/12/93 (R)	21/03/94	
67. GHANA	12/06/92	06/09/95 (R)	05/12/95	
68. GREECE	12/06/92	04/08/94 (R)	02/11/94	
69. GRENADA	03/12/92	11/08/94 (R)	09/11/94	
70. GUATEMALA	13/06/92	15/12/95 (R)	14/03/96	
71. GUINEA	12/06/92	07/05/93 (R)	21/03/94	
72. GUINEA-BISSAU	12/06/92	27/10/95 (R)	25/01/96	
73. GUYANA	13/06/92	29/08/94 (R)	27/11/94	
74. HAITI	13/06/92	25/09/96 (R)	24/12/96	
75. HOLY SEE	----			
76. HONDURAS	13/06/92	19/10/95 (R)	17/01/96	

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COUNTRY	SIGNATURE	RATIFICATION	ENTRY INTO FORCE	REMARKS
77. HUNGARY	13/06/92	24/02/94 (R)	25/05/94	(10)
78. ICELAND	04/06/92	16/06/93 (R)	21/03/94	
79. INDIA	10/06/92	01/11/93 (R)	21/03/94	
80. INDONESIA	05/06/92	23/08/94 (R)	21/11/94	
81. IRAN (ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF)	14/06/92	18/07/96 (R)	16/10/96	
82. IRAQ	----			
83. IRELAND	13/06/92	20/04/94 (R)	19/07/94	
84. ISRAEL	04/06/92	04/06/96 (R)	02/09/96	
85. ITALY	05/06/92	15/04/94 (R)	14/07/94	
86. JAMAICA	12/06/92	06/01/95 (R)	06/04/95	
87. JAPAN	13/06/92	28/05/93 (At)	21/03/94	
88. JORDAN	11/06/92	12/11/93 (R)	21/03/94	
89. KAZAKHSTAN	08/06/92	17/05/95 (R)	15/08/95	
90. KENYA	12/06/92	30/08/94 (R)	28/11/94	
91. KIRIBATI	13/06/92	07/02/95 (R)	08/05/95	(3)
92. KUWAIT	----	28/12/94 (Ac)	28/03/95	
93. KYRGYZSTAN	----			
94. LAO PEOPLE'S DEM. REP.	----	04/01/95 (Ac)	04/04/95	
95. LATVIA	11/06/92	23/03/95 (R)	21/06/95	
96. LEBANON	12/06/92	15/12/94 (R)	15/03/95	

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COUNTRY	SIGNATURE	RATIFICATION	ENTRY INTO FORCE	REMARKS
97. LESOTHO	11/06/92	07/02/95 (R)	08/05/95	
98. LIBERIA	12/06/92			
99. LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA	29/06/92			
100. LIECHTENSTEIN	04/06/92	22/06/94 (R)	20/09/94	
101. LITHUANIA	11/06/92	24/03/95 (R)	22/06/95	
102. LUXEMBOURG	09/06/92	09/05/94 (R)	07/08/94	
103. MADAGASCAR	10/06/92			
104. MALAWI	10/06/92	21/04/94 (R)	20/07/94	
105. MALAYSIA	09/06/93	13/07/94 (R)	11/10/94	
106. MALDIVES	12/06/92	09/11/92 (R)	21/03/94	
107. MALI	22/09/92	28/12/94 (R)	28/03/95	
108. MALTA	12/06/92	17/03/94 (R)	15/06/94	
109. MARSHALL ISLANDS	12/06/92	08/10/92 (R)	21/03/94	
110. MAURITANIA	12/06/92	20/01/94 (R)	20/04/94	
111. MAURITIUS	10/06/92	04/09/92 (R)	21/03/94	
112. MEXICO	13/06/92	11/03/93 (R)	21/03/94	
113. MICRONESIA (FEDERATED STATES OF)	12/06/92	18/11/93 (R)	21/03/94	
114. MONACO	11/06/92	20/11/92 (R)	21/03/94	(6)
115. MONGOLIA	12/06/92	30/09/93 (R)	21/03/94	
116. MOROCCO	13/06/92	28/12/95 (R)	27/03/96	

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117. MOZAMBIQUE	12/06/92	25/08/95 (R)	23/11/95	
118. MYANMAR	11/06/92	25/11/94 (R)	23/02/95	
119. NAMIBIA	12/06/92	16/05/95 (R)	14/08/95	
120. NAURU	08/06/92	11/11/93 (R)	21/03/94	(1)
121. NEPAL	12/06/92	02/05/94 (R)	31/07/94	
122. NETHERLANDS*	04/06/92	20/12/93 (At)	21/03/94	
123. NEW ZEALAND	04/06/92	16/09/93 (R)	21/03/94	
124. NICARAGUA	13/06/92	31/10/95 (R)	29/01/96	
125. NIGER	11/06/92	25/07/95 (R)	23/10/95	
126. NIGERIA	13/06/92	29/08/94 (R)	27/11/94	
127. NIUE	....	28/02/96 (Ac)	28/05/96	
128. NORWAY	04/06/92	09/07/93 (R)	21/03/94	
129. OMAN	11/06/92	08/02/95 (R)	09/05/95	
130. PAKISTAN	13/06/92	01/06/94 (R)	30/08/94	
131 PALAU	....			
132. PANAMA	18/03/93	23/05/95 (R)	21/08/95	
133. PAPUA NEW GUINEA	13/06/92	16/03/93 (R)	21/03/94	(7)
134. PARAGUAY	12/06/92	24/02/94 (R)	25/05/94	

*For the Kingdom in Europe

STATUS OF RATIFICATION *(continued)*

COUNTRY	SIGNATURE	RATIFICATION	ENTRY INTO FORCE	REMARKS
135. PERU	12/06/92	07/06/93 (R)	21/03/94	
136. PHILIPPINES	12/06/92	02/08/94 (R)	31/10/94	
137. POLAND	05/06/92	28/07/94 (R)	26/10/94	
138. PORTUGAL	13/06/92	21/12/93 (R)	21/03/94	
139. QATAR	----	18/04/96 (Ac)	17/07/96	
140. REPUBLIC OF KOREA	13/06/92	14/12/93 (R)	21/03/94	
141. REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA	12/06/92	09/06/95 (R)	07/09/95	
142. ROMANIA	05/06/92	08/06/94 (R)	06/09/94	
143. RUSSIAN FEDERATION	13/06/92	28/12/94 (R)	28/03/95	
144. RWANDA	10/06/92			
145. SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS	12/06/92	07/01/93 (R)	21/03/94	
146. SAINT LUCIA	14/06/93	14/06/93 (R)	21/03/94	
147. SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES	----	02/12/96 (Ac)	02/03/97	
148. SAMOA	12/06/92	29/11/94 (R)	27/02/95	
149. SAN MARINO	10/06/92	28/10/94 (R)	26/01/95	
150. SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE	12/06/92			
151. SAUDI ARABIA	----	28/12/94 (Ac)	28/03/95	
152. SENEGAL	13/06/92	17/10/94 (R)	15/01/95	
153. SEYCHELLES	10/06/92	22/09/92 (R)	21/03/94	
154. SIERRA LEONE	11/02/93	22/06/95 (R)	20/09/95	

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COUNTRY	SIGNATURE	RATIFICATION	ENTRY INTO FORCE	REMARKS
155. SINGAPORE	13/06/92	29/05/97 (R)	27/08/97	
156. SLOVAKIA	19/05/93	25/08/94 (Ap)	23/11/94	(14)
157. SLOVENIA	13/06/92	01/12/95 (R)	29/02/96	
158. SOLOMON ISLANDS	13/06/92	28/12/94 (R)	28/03/95	(11)
159. SOMALIA	----			
160. SOUTH AFRICA	15/06/93	29/08/97 (R)	27/11/97	
161. SPAIN	13/06/92	21/12/93 (R)	21/03/94	
162. SRI LANKA	10/06/92	23/11/93 (R)	21/03/94	
163. SUDAN	09/06/92	19/11/93 (R)	21/03/94	
164. SURINAME	13/06/92	14/10/96 (R)	12/01/98	
165. SWAZILAND	12/06/92	07/10/96 (R)	05/01/97	
166. SWEDEN	08/06/92	23/06/93 (R)	21/03/94	
167. SWITZERLAND	12/06/92	10/12/93 (R)	21/03/94	
168. SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC	----	04/01/96 (Ac)	03/04/96	
169. TAJIKISTAN	----	07/01/98 (Ac)	07/04/98	
170. THAILAND	12/06/92	28/12/94 (R)	28/03/95	
171. THE FORMER YUG. REP. OF MACEDONIA	----	28/01/98 (Ac)	28/04/98	
172. TOGO	12/06/92	08/03/95 (At)	06/06/95	

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COUNTRY	SIGNATURE	RATIFICATION	ENTRY INTO FORCE	REMARKS
173. TONGA	....	20/07/98 (Ac)	18/10/98	
174. TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO	11/06/92	24/06/94 (R)	22/09/94	
175. TUNISIA	13/06/92	15/07/93 (R)	21/03/94	
176. TURKEY	....			
177. TURKMENISTAN	....	05/06/95 (Ac)	03/09/95	
178. TUVALU	08/06/92	26/10/93 (R)	21/03/94	(2)
179. UGANDA	13/06/92	08/09/93 (R)	21/03/94	
180. UKRAINE	11/06/92	13/05/97 (R)	11/08/97	
181. UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	....	29/12/95 (Ac)	28/03/96	
182. UNITED KINGDOM*	12/06/92	08/12/93 (R)	21/03/94	
183. UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA	12/06/92	17/04/96 (R)	16/07/96	
184. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	12/06/92	15/10/92 (R)	21/03/94	
185. URUGUAY	04/06/92	18/08/94 (R)	16/11/94	
186. UZBEKISTAN	....	20/06/93 (Ac)	21/03/94	
187. VANUATU	09/06/92	25/03/93 (R)	21/03/94	
188. VENEZUELA	12/06/92	28/12/94 (R)	28/03/95	
189. VIET NAM	11/06/92	16/11/94 (R)	14/02/95	
190. YEMEN	12/06/92	21/02/96 (R)	21/05/96	

*In respect of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Bailiwick of Jersey and the Isle of Man

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COUNTRY	SIGNATURE	RATIFICATION	ENTRY INTO FORCE	REMARKS
191. YUGOSLAVIA	08/06/92	03/09/97 (R)	02/12/97	
192. ZAMBIA	11/06/92	28/05/93 (R)	21/03/94	
193. ZIMBABWE	12/06/92	03/11/92 (R)	21/03/94	
•••••• ORGANIZATION ••••••	••••••••	••••••••••••••	••••••••••••••	••••••••••••••
EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY	13/06/92	21/12/93 (Ap)	21/03/94	(4) (8)
•••••••••••• TOTAL ••••••••••	166	176	••••••••••••••	••••••••••••

Notes:

R = Ratification
At = Acceptance
Ap = Approval
Ac = Accession

DECLARATIONS

(1) **Upon signature, the following formal declaration was made:**

"The Government of Nauru declares its understanding that signature of the Convention shall in no way constitute a renunciation of any rights under international law concerning state responsibility for the adverse effects of climate change, and that no provisions in the Convention can be interpreted as derogating from the principles of general international law."

(2) **Upon signature, the following formal declaration was made:**

"The Government of Tuvalu declares its understanding that signature of the Convention shall in no way constitute a renunciation of any rights under international law concerning state responsibility for the adverse effects of climate change, and that no provisions in the Convention can be interpreted as derogating from the principles of general international law."

(3) **Upon signature, the following formal declaration was made:**

"The Government of the Republic of Kiribati declares its understanding that signature and/or ratification of the Convention shall in no way constitute a renunciation of any rights under international law concerning state responsibility for the adverse effects of climate change, and that no provisions in the Convention can be interpreted as derogating from the principles of general international law."

(4) **Upon signature, the following formal declaration was made:**

"The European Community and its Member States declare, for the purposes of clarity, that the inclusion of the European Community as well as its Member States in the lists in the Annexes to the Convention is without prejudice to the division of competence and responsibilities between the Community and its Member States, which is to be declared in accordance with Article 21.3 of the Convention."

(5) **Upon signature, the following formal declaration was made:**

"The Government of Fiji declares its understanding that signature of the Convention shall, in no way, constitute a renunciation of any rights under international law concerning state responsibility for the adverse effects of climate change, and that no provisions in the Convention can be interpreted as derogating from the principles of general international law."

(6) **The instrument of ratification contains the following declaration:**

"In accordance with sub-paragraph g of article 4.2 of the Convention, the Principality of Monaco declares that it intends to be bound by the provision of sub-paragraphs a and b of said article."

(7) **The instrument of ratification was accompanied by the following declaration:**

"The Government of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea declares its understanding that ratification of the Convention shall in no way constitute a renunciation of any rights under international law concerning state responsibility for the adverse effects of climate change as derogating from the principles of general international law."

(8) The instrument of ratification was accompanied by the following declaration:

"The European Economic Community and its Members States declare that the commitment to limit anthropogenic CO_2 emissions set out in Article 4(2) of the Convention will be fulfilled in the Community as a whole though action by the Community and its Member States, within the respective competence of each.

In this perspective, the Community and its Member States reaffirm the objectives set out in the Council conclusions of 29 October 1990, and in particular the objective of stabilization of CO_2 emissions by 2000 at 1990 level in the Community as a whole.

The European Community and its Member States are elaborating a coherent strategy in order to attain this objective."

(9) The instrument of ratification contains the following declaration:

"With reference to Article 14 of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, the Government of the Republic of Cuba declares that, insofar as concerns the Republic of Cuba, any dispute that may arise between the Parties concerning the interpretation or application of the Convention shall be settled through negotiations through the diplomatic channel."

(10) Upon deposit, the Government of Hungary made the following declaration:

"The Government of the Republic of Hungary attributes great significance to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and it reiterates its position in accordance with the provision of Article 4.6 of the Convention on certain degree of flexibility that the average level of anthropogenic carbon-dioxide emissions for the period of 1985-1987 will be considered as reference level in context of the commitments under Article 4.2 of the Convention. This understanding is closely related to the "process of transition" as it is given in Article 4.6 of the Convention. The Government of the Republic of Hungary declares that it will do all efforts to contribute to the objective of the Convention."

(11) The instrument of ratification contains the following declaration:

"Now therefore in pursuance of Article 14.2 of the said Convention I hereby declare that the Government of Solomon Islands shall recognise as compulsory, arbitration, in accordance with procedures to be adopted by the Conference of the Parties as soon as practicable, in an annex on arbitrations."

(12) The instrument of ratification contains the following declaration:

"The Republic of Bulgaria declares that in accordance with article 4, paragraph 6, and with respect to paragraph 2 (b) of the said article, it accepts as a basis of the anthropogenic emissions in Bulgaria of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases not controlled by the Montreal Protocol, the 1988 levels of the said emissions in the country and not their 1990 levels, keeping records of and comparing the emission rates during the subsequent years."

13) The Government of the Czech Republic, by letter of 17 November 1995, informed the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as Depositary, of the following formal declaration:

"[...] I would like to notify you, as Depositary of the Convention, that the Czech Republic intends to be bound by Article 4, paragraph 2, of the Convention. In addition, I would like to advise you to make the following steps:

(1) Delete notion of "Czechoslovakia" in Annex I. Czechoslovakia has never been a Party to the Convention and it no more exists as a State entity.

(2) Include "Czech Republic" in the Annex I Parties. [...]."

(14) The Government of the Slovak Republic, by letter of 29 January 1995, informed the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as Depositary, of the following formal declaration:

"[...] I would like to notify you, as Depositary of the Convention, that the Slovak Republic intends to be bound by the Article 4, paragraph 2, of the Convention. In addition, I would like to delete the notion of "Czechoslovakia" in Annex I. Czechoslovakia has never been a party to the Convention and it no more exists as a State entity. Instead, Slovakia would be included in Annex I Parties [...]."

(15) The instrument of acceptance contains the following declaration:

"The Republic of Croatia declares, that it intends to be bound by the provisions of the Annex I, as a country undergoing the process of transition to a market economy."

Annex II

The Protocol was adopted at the third session of the Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC held at Kyoto, Japan, from 1 to 11 December 1997. The Protocol is open for signature by States and regional economic integration organizations which are Parties to the Convention at United Nations Headquarters in New York from 16 March 1998 to 15 March 1999 in accordance with its Article 24, paragraph 1.

Article 25, paragraph 1, of the Kyoto Protocol states that: "This Protocol shall enter into force on the ninetieth day after the date on which not less than 55 Parties to the Convention, incorporating Parties included in Annex I which accounted in total for at least 55 per cent of the total carbon dioxide emissions for 1990 of the Parties included in Annex I, have deposited their instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession." This Annex II contains information concerning dates of signature and ratification received from the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as Depositary, as at 23 October 1998.

KYOTO PROTOCOL

STATUS OF RATIFICATION

COUNTRY	SIGNATURE	RATIFICATION	REMARKS
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA	16/03/98		
ARGENTINA	16/03/98		
AUSTRALIA*	29/04/98		
AUSTRIA*	29/04/98		
BELGIUM*	29/04/98		
BOLIVIA	09/07/98		
BRAZIL	29/04/98		
BULGARIA*	18/09/98		
CANADA*	29/04/98		
CHILE	17/06/98		
CHINA	29/05/98		
COOK ISLANDS	16/09/98		(4)
COSTA RICA	27/04/98		
DENMARK*	29/04/98		
EL SALVADOR	08/06/98		
EUROPEAN COMMUNITY*	29/04/98		(1)
FIJI	17/09/98	17/09/98	
FINLAND*	29/04/98		
FRANCE*	29/04/98		(2)
GERMANY*	29/04/98		
GREECE*	29/04/98		
GUATEMALA	10/07/98		
INDONESIA	13/07/98		
IRELAND*	29/04/98		(3)
ITALY*	29/04/98		

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(*) Asterisk indicates Annex I Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.

STATUS OF RATIFICATION (*continued*)

COUNTRY	SIGNATURE	RATIFICATION	REMARKS
JAPAN*	28/04/98		
LIECHTENSTEIN*	29/06/98		
LITHUANIA*	21/09/98		
LUXEMBOURG*	29/04/98		
MALDIVES	16/03/98		
MALTA	17/04/98		
MARSHALL ISLANDS	17/03/98		
MEXICO	09/06/98		
MICRONESIA (FEDERATED STATES OF)	17/03/98		
MONACO*	29/04/98		
NETHERLANDS*	29/04/98		
NEW ZEALAND*	22/05/98		
NICARAGUA	07/07/98		
NIGER	23/10/98		
NORWAY*	29/04/98		
PANAMA	08/06/98		
PARAGUAY	25/08/98		
PHILIPPINES	15/04/98		
POLAND*	15/07/98		
PORTUGAL	29/04/98		

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STATUS OF RATIFICATION (*continued*)

COUNTRY	SIGNATURE	RATIFICATION	REMARKS
REPUBLIC OF KOREA	25/09/98		
SAINT LUCIA	16/03/98		
SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES	19/03/98		
SAMOA	16/03/98		
SEYCHELLES	20/03/98		
SLOVENIA*	21/10/98		
SOLOMON ISLANDS	29/09/98		
SPAIN*	29/04/98		
SWEDEN*	29/04/98		
SWITZERLAND*	16/03/98		
TURKMENISTAN	25/09/98		
UNITED KINGDOM*	29/04/98		
URUGUAY	29/07/98		
ZAMBIA	05/08/98		
TOTAL	**59**	**1**	

DECLARATIONS MADE BY PARTIES UPON SIGNATURE

(1) European Community:

"The European Community and its Member States will fulfil their respective commitments under Article 3, paragraph 1, of the Protocol jointly in accordance with the provisions of Article 4."

(5) France:

"La République française se réserve la possibilité, lors de la ratification du Protocole de Kyoto à la Convention cadre des Nations Unies sur les changements climatiques, d'exclure ses territoires d'outre-mer du champ d'application de ce Protocole."

(6) Ireland:

"The European Community and the member States, including Ireland, will fulfil their respective commitments under Article 3, paragraph 1, of the Protocol in accordance with the provisions of Article 4."

(7) Cook Islands:

"The Government of the Cook Islands declares its understanding that signature and subsequent ratification of the Kyoto Protocol shall in no way constitute a renunciation of any rights under international law concerning State responsibility for the adverse effects of the climate change and that no provision in the Protocol can be interpreted as derogating from principles of general international law.

In this regard, the Government of the Cook Islands further declares that, in light of the best available scientific information and assessment on climate change and its impacts, it considers the emissions reduction obligation in Article 3 of the Kyoto Protocol to be inadequate to prevent dangerous anthropogenic interference with the climate system."